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STATEHOOD FOR NEW MEXICO

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The Lincoln Memorial

An ill-advised project for a Lincoln memorial is under way in both Houses of Congress. It contemplates the location of the memorial on ground between the capitol and the new Union station and the appropriation of \$5,000,000 for the enterprise, over \$3,000,000 of which will be used in the acquisition of a site comprising some thirty-six acres of valuable realty, says the Washington Herald. The memorial itself probably will take the form of an arch.

The objections to this project are serious and numerous, relating both to expense and to artistic considerations. On both those phases of the subject the American Institute of Architects has spoken in no uncertain tone. It is pointed out that the Burnham commission plan provided a location for the Lincoln memorial on a site already belonging to the government, and which, will, therefore, cost nothing. This site has an orderly relation with the improvement of the Mall, and will give the proposed memorial a distinctive setting. On the other hand, the location of the memorial in the neighborhood of the massive structures on Capitol Hill will subordinate it, reducing it to a secondary place in the landscape.

A circular issued by the directors of the American Institute so well presents the case against the Congressional plan that its main points are reproduced:

"The Lincoln memorial located on or near the plaza of the Union railway station will, no matter how treated, form an integral part of the station, and be insignificant in scale compared with the capitol, station, and office buildings of the Senate, and clash with the Columbus memorial. It will never be a distinctive memorial to Lincoln, but an addenda to and embellishment of the Union railway station. The public would not be satisfied with this as a memorial to one of their greatest men.

As Another Sees It

The San Francisco Chronicle comes to the front with a plea that New Mexico and Arizona be admitted to the Union without further delay. Says the Chronicle:

"It has been said that no enabling act for the admission of Arizona and New Mexico as separate states could be expected at this session. We do not see why. The precedents for the terms of such enabling acts are abundant, the practice is well settled and the necessary act could be drawn up in an hour by any lawyer. No time is required for discussion, for the subject has been actively canvassed in and out of Congress for the last five years. Every congressman perfectly understands the matter and could vote on an enabling act tomorrow as well as later. For Republicans the subject seems to have passed the stage of discussion. The Republican national platform reads:

"We favor the immediate admission of the territories of New Mexico and Arizona as separate states in the Union.

"Nothing could be more explicit. 'Immediate' means forthwith—as soon as the necessary legal procedure can take place. It distinctly does not mean at some indefinite time in the future. It does not mean at the convenience of the next Congress."

Divorce by the Constitution

A New York woman lawyer in bringing suit for a client has impressed the thirteenth amendment to the constitution as ground for separation of husband and wife, and has, thereby, stirred up an interesting question. It is declared that if her argument holds good it will be the duty of the supreme court to pass on divorces asked on that ground. It will make divorces easier to secure, too, for it will be necessary only to show that a husband or wife is a "slave."

The question has aroused a great deal of interest and the New York World comes forth with a solution, declaring that while the thirteenth amendment may be used in such cases the fourteenth amendment undoubtedly could be invoked by the defense. The World says:

"Seeking to have her marriage annulled, a New York woman brings the Constitution of the United States into the divorce court. Her plea is that she is held in bondage contrary to the thirteenth amendment prohibition of slavery or involuntary servitude 'except as a punishment for crime.' To this clever presentation of a case an ingenious lawyer may discover an answer in the fourteenth amendment, which declares that no state shall 'deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law.' In all states the marriage contract constitutes a due process of law. It is under this contract that the plaintiff in question has been, as she claims, deprived of her liberty. By argument from the negative, does not the fourteenth amendment destroy her plea of illegality as founded upon the thirteenth?"

It is a pretty question as it stands.

A fifteen-year-old girl of New York has the distinction of being the originator of the most novel and at the same time most effective method of remaining away from school. She swallowed a half paper of common pins, and doctors predict that she will live. She says she swallowed a pin at a time, placing it on the end of her tongue, the point out, and swallowing it with the aid of a gulp of water. At least she accomplished her purpose, for the doctors say it will be some time before she will be able to attend school. It is hard to say whether she will be more "stuck up" because of the presence of the pins or because she found a way to keep out of school.

Later returns indicate that the earlier estimates of the world's gold output will be justified by the result. The output in round figures is \$12,000,000 for 1908, as against \$10,555,000 in 1907. The steady increase year by year is due to the enlargement of output in all quarters of the globe, but Africa is the greatest contributor to the addition, having near \$14,000,000 to its credit. Few are now found who venture to dispute a constantly enlarging output for many years to come, and still fewer care to deny the possibility of the additions to once more cause the money question to assume the importance it had a few years ago.

It is now the turn of St. Louis to make merry. It has been disclosed that Chicago dealers in shoes are in the habit of falsifying the sizes of fashionable footwear to persuade women that their feet are small. Chicago humorists were in the habit of intimating that the ladies of Missouri's chief city found it convenient to wear "canal boats" in wet weather, but the admirers of the girls of St. Louis will now be able to retort that the boot is on the other foot, and that the right place to look for abnormally developed pedal extremities is in the windy city.

"Glib," "absurd," "babyish," these and other characterizations have been given by army officers to the twenty-eight mile ride on horseback which President Roosevelt recently indulged in. But it is noted that interviews of this sort on the ride are generally credited to "a prominent officer," and not to any individual officer by his name. This shows that there are some prudent gentlemen in the army.

Physicians declare that John D. Rockefeller is going to live to be at least one hundred years old. It's a good thing therefore, that he retired from active business affairs some time ago. If he had not and had kept pegging away to the end he probably would have secured all the money in the world.

No wonder the late Mr. Carmichael, the Michigan clergyman who murdered a man, burned up his body, and then committed suicide, did such flimsy work. An examination of his brain by experts showed granulations of the superior posterior surface of the cerebrum.

There does not seem to be nearly as many millionaires in New York City as has been popularly supposed. Only ten gentlemen confessing to being worth that sum of money are found on the tax rolls for this year. But then, tax rolls are not infallible in this regard.

STATEHOOD FOR NEW MEXICO

SOME OF THE REASONS WHY THE TERRITORY SHOULD BE GIVEN THE RIGHT TO TAKE ITS PLACE AMONG THE STATES OF THE UNION, AS TOLD IN ESSAYS SUBMITTED IN THE CONTEST FOR A SILVER CUP OFFERED BY M. A. OTERO DURING THE SIXTEENTH NATIONAL IRRIGATION CONGRESS.

STATEHOOD FOR NEW MEXICO.

Mrs. W. H. Bartlett, of Santa Fe.

A territory is an organized body politic that has not been granted the full rights and privileges of statehood. Her inhabitants are not permitted to vote for the president or vice president of the United States, nor for the governor, secretary or judges of her commonwealth. Her single delegate to Congress may speak on territorial matters but her voice is not counted. Her public school property is worth millions of dollars, she maintains wholly or in part territorial institutions of learning. Do these statements lend conviction to the fact that New Mexico is capable of self-government?

More proof is wanted look further at her resources. They are boundless. Though her mines have as yet been imperfectly developed, every year they yield millions of dollars to their owners. In 1907 the yield was a little over \$6,000,000, on gold, silver, lead, copper, zinc, coal, iron ores and precious stones. Besides these minerals there are found in the territory deposits of sulphur, alum, gypsum, carbonate and sulphate of soda, graphite and kaolin. The soil of the territory is fertile and produces certain fruits, cereals and grasses the equal of any on earth. Agriculture is and always will be one of the chief industries of the territory. In former years only small areas were capable of cultivation because of limited water supply, but recently, important irrigation works have been built by the United States Government and by private corporations, and many more are in course of construction. Through these projects nearly a million acres of land will come under irrigation. The encouraging progress made in dry farming has attracted to the territory many people who have settled on desert and semi-arid land dependent wholly on rainfall and scientific dry farming for a yield of crops. If this remarkable means of farming prove an ultimate success, as it undoubtedly will, 50,000,000 acres of land, heretofore considered useless only for grazing purposes will be found arable and will be brought under cultivation. From figures furnished by the general land office, it will be seen that in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1907, there was made in the territory 17,283 original homestead entries which covered 2,727,902.54 acres of land.

Irrigation and dry farming are not the only features that attract settlers to the territory, nor is the number of acres homesteaded by them the only proof that her wealth is increasing and her resources being developed. In the last ten years 1,200 miles of railroad have been built within her confines making a total of 2,772 miles now in the territory. There exist now 41 national and 27 territorial and private banks with de-

posits aggregating \$13,000,000; 591 post offices; assessed property to the value of \$57,000,000; 497 manufacturing establishments with an output worth \$3,000,000. In 1907 there were filed with the territorial secretary 314 corporation papers representing \$163,236,000 worth of capital. Of these 91 were for mining companies, 72 for general industrial enterprises, 60 for mercantile companies, 23 for real estate companies, 13 for banks, 4 for railway companies, etc.

Thus it is evident beyond question that New Mexico is amply able to take care of herself and free and federal government of the expense of caring for her. Whatever conditions may have prevailed in the territory ten years ago, whatever may have been her fitness or lack of fitness for statehood, ten, five, or even three years ago, New Mexico today is certainly qualified to enter upon the duties and obligations of statehood. It is the inalienable right of the citizens of a given state to enjoy the privileges granted to citizens of other states. No verile American is content to live in a community that is not self-governing. The citizens of New Mexico are as intelligent, as peace-loving, as loyal Americans, as are found anywhere. Why then are they not given the right to place a silver star on that broad field of blue where other states are glad to be represented—why, I ask, in simple justice, why? Are we not one people, why then may we not be admitted to the sisterhood?

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ENGLAND TO MAKE AEROPLANES FOR WAR

Success of Inventions in Other Countries Causes Britain to Worry About Defense.

London, Jan. 21.—Sir Hiram Maxim declares that the aeroplane, even in its present imperfect state, was a very efficient military weapon. The occasion was a lecture at the Society of Arts by Stuart Bruce on mechanical flight.

Sir Hiram said: "The Wright machine, with only a very little improvement, would be a very efficient military weapon. Does any one doubt for a single moment that in case we should find ourselves at war with a strong continental power such machines would not be used for bombarding English towns from the continent?"

"A French engineer, who is in a position to know and who has a thorough grasp of the subject, informed me only a short time ago that within one year a machine would be made in France that would fly from Paris to London without stopping. Such machines are certainly in the range of the possible, and when they come London can be attacked without encountering the dreaded British navy."

"There is only one means of combating this danger, and that is to make flying machines ourselves. The discovery of gunpowder made a complete change on civilized warfare, but the change did not take place quickly, because guns at that time were very difficult to make with the tools and appliances in existence. But at the present moment the tools and appliances are at hand and the change will be quite as radical and a great deal quicker than it was on the discovery of gunpowder."

"Vast sums of money will be paid by governments in the immediate future for military flying machines and an opportunity is now presented to wealthy men such as only occurs once in a century."

"I have recently made drawings of an extremely light and powerful motor which will be much lighter for the power developed than any motor heretofore made and still will have a fair factor of safety. This is accomplished by using an especially strong steel and putting it where it will do the most good. It would appear to me that it would be a relatively simple matter to build successful flying machines at the present moment, and a great deal of experimenting is not necessary."

Major Baden-Powell said he was convinced from his own experience that within the next two or three years flying through the air would be a common thing. It was of the greatest importance from a military point of view that England should push along in this matter and develop the idea as his neighbors have shown it how to do.

A Horrible Hold-Up.
"About ten years ago my brother was 'held up' in his work, health and happiness by what was believed to be hopeless consumption," writes W. R. Lipscomb, of Washington, D. C. "He took all kinds of remedies and treatment from several doctors, but found no help till he used Dr. King's New Discovery and was wondrously cured by six bottles. He is a well man today." It's quick to relieve and the surest cure for weak or sore lungs, hemorrhages, cough and colds, bronchitis, jaundice, asthma and all bronchial affections. 50c and \$1. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all dealers.

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By Mrs. Charles H. De Yankert of Tucuman.

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Union means independence and liberty. To be governed by appointments made by the voice of one individual in authority makes us feel that we are almost a sovereignty.

In the last five years many thousands of people from every state in the Union, have located in New Mexico. Farming, cattle-raising, mining and manufacturing are all successfully carried on.

It is an unquestionable truth that the people in every country desire its prosperity. In America there is not one single element of civilization that is not made to depend upon public opinion, art, law, policy, administration, reformation of morals, religious teachings, all derive in our form of society the most potent influences from the common people.

We have our learned men, yet all alike are agents of the same power, the people. The general government and the state government derive their authority from the same source. Neither can in relation to the other be called primary, though one is definite and restrained, the other general and residuary. State officers will ever be important. Their powers are such as are extremely interesting to the people; such as effect their prosperity, liberty, property and life. With statehood our people can choose state officials that affect us so greatly, and realize mutual protection and support territorial laws. Railroads charge exorbitant freight rates. Statehood with railroad commissioners will give us fixed rates and the oppression which the pioneers suffered will be overcome. With statehood we will have the uplifting influence of free government, and by giving all a chance we can get a higher average of results from the people.

The greatest names in American history today are Washington and Lincoln. One is forever associated with the independence of the states, the other with the universal freedom and the preservation of the Union. Washington forced the Declaration of Independence against England, Lincoln proclaimed its fulfillment, not only to a down-trodden race in America, but to all the people, and for all those who seek the protection of our grand and glorious flag.

Can a state become insignificant while it has the power of raising money independently and without control? The states can never lose their power until the whole American people are robbed of their liberty. The national government possesses its power bestowed upon it by the common wealth, as in the same in state government. The United States

government therefore is the offspring of the popular will, yes the will of the common wealth.

May the day be near at hand when New Mexico, truly nature's sanatorium, and land of sunshine be admitted into statehood, take a stand with power and constitutional rights to help voice the affairs of this, the greatest nation on earth.

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